



Trainee Marine Mammal Trainer

POSITION SUMMARY:

The role of the Trainee Marine Mammal Trainer is to effectively and efficiently work within the Marine Division, learning animal husbandry, training and management practices for the Pet Porpoise Pool's Marine Animals. The position is to have demonstrated interest in marine mammals, conservation and animal training and conditioning; good oral and written communication skills and the ability to confidently interact with visitors; and be able to work independently and in a team environment.

PERSON SPECIFICATION:

The Trainee Marine Mammal Trainer at this grade will possess:

- A basic knowledge of the biology and behaviour of pinnipeds and cetaceans and a keen interest in their conservation needs
- Demonstrated interest in operant conditioning training techniques.
- A passion for conservation and demonstrated interest in marine mammals and Australian native fauna
- Excellent communication, customer relations and interpersonal skills demonstrating open, honest communication which is transparent and in the interests of the business
- Ability to adapt and master new techniques and procedures within a reasonable time span.
- A strong work ethic and willingness to work as part of the Dolphin Marine Magic team
- An understanding of all services and products offered by the Dolphin Marine Magic
- Confidentiality
- Reliability and punctuality
- Ability to deal with a wide range of people including people of different religions, nationality, people with disabilities, school children etc
- Ability to maintain a high standard of personal presentation
- A good level of fitness including ability to lift and carry up to 20kg and ability to bend and squat

- Ability to pass Dolphin Marine Magic swim test: (Swim 15m underwater in single breath, retrieve object from the bottom of 3.5m pool, swim 50m and tread water for 5 minutes with hands out of water)
- Ability to work weekends, public holidays and school holidays
- Hold a current class C NSW Drivers Licence
- Hold a current "Working With Children" certification
- Tetanus vaccinations up-to-date

THIS POSITION INTERACTS WITH:

Internal The position communicates with the Manager of Life Sciences and all Marine staff daily to discuss work requirements for themselves and the team and to provide information about relevant issues or events.

External: The position communicates with visitors on a day to day basis, providing information relating to the management of animals and conveying environmental conservation awareness.